Notes on IP Board Meeting

30 November 1970

ASPIN Recommendations:

Chairman said DD/I, DD/S, and DD/P comments on ASPIN were in hand and that DD/S&T comments were expected by end of week (4 December 1970). Copies of all to be made available to each IPC. Chairman ascertained that DD's or A/DD's in each Directorate are aware of the contents of his own IPC's submission.

Chairman mentioned the Inspector General's study now in preparation on Information Processing. IPC's felt it likely the Inspector General's study will include comments on selected major functions of ADP and on the ADP organization issue. Paper expected early part of 1971.

Extended discussion touching on several issues: e.g., ADP Career Service; concept of Executive Advisor to the Executive Director-Comptroller on ADP... supported by IP staff; mechanisms for approval of new ADP applications; notion of user budgeting for ADP services; relationship of Historical Staff, Records Management Staff, Archives Staff, and IP staff; ASPIN's recommendations on R&D for information processing [   ] said he expects DD/S&T   25X1
position by end of December).

Chairman indicated discussion would be continued next Monday (7 December). He asked [   ] to prepare   25X1
statement of objectives on Information Processing in CIA... for the next meeting.

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Meeting chaired by [   ]   25X1

1. IHC Matters:

   [   ] commented that: 25X1

   a. File and Program Catalog:

   Evaluation showed not cost/effective. Will be discontinued with last issue due out in December 1970.

   DIA has proposed that each agency might exchange copies of machine listings of machine files. [   ] will   25X1
discuss further with Director, OCS.

   b. Revised Content Control Code at State:

   State Department will run experiment using its revised CCC code on traffic originating at three overseas posts. (CCC intended to serve as aid in dissemination and perhaps in retroactive retrieval.)

   c. Proposed ARPA follow-on to COINS:

   ARPA's ambitious plan for initiating an electronic file network for community has collapsed. ARPA does have [   ] however, with which to sponsor further study of the concept. [   ] suggested that the notion of   25X1
linking the community's various intelligence operations centers bears watching.

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2. DoD Data Codes:

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[blank] asked if Board members felt need for more assertive role for CIA concerning DoD data codes which may tend to become "Federal General Standards". General feeling of Board was that this is not a problem to CIA, at least at this time, in part because the DoD codes so far have not related to data structures of significance to CIA. It was pointed out that DoD does need such standard codes for its many interrelated processing activities, that CIA processing is not comparable, and that CIA would not, in any case, be obligated to follow a code unsuited to CIA requirements.

3. Discussion of ASPIN (Continued):

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[blank] suggested the DD/I's consolidation and restatement of ASPIN recommendations be used for Board discussion, vice the original.

Considerable discussion of the ADP organization issue mainly in effort to clarify details of what ASPIN intended.

Re User budgeting for ADP services, there was general agreement user budgeting would cost far more than it would achieve. However, the Board agreed methods for estimating costs of proposed ADP applications and accounting for costs of on-going applications are needed together with means of forcing user management attention to these costs. Iams suggested, in addition, that a requirement for ExDir approval of ADP applications whose estimated costs exceed some agreed upon threshold might be desirable. All four ADP service centers (CRS, NPIC, OCS, and RID) now have costing systems. OCS is working to strengthen its system to reflect not only manpower and CPU time but also amounts of core and other resources used; also to improve the method of costing remote terminal interactive services.

Re workload control, Wiltse said the basic need is a mechanism for (a) judging the worth of a proposed application and (b) determining whether the task should be handled centrally or locally.

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Action: On [blank] suggestion, the Chairman will try to identify those ASPIN recommendations with which it appears the Board is in agreement; then the Board can concentrate on trying to reach concensus on at least some of the remaining recommendations and clarifying positions where differences remain.

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4. Job changes for Messrs. ◻◻◻◻◻◻◻◻ **25X1**

◻◻◻◻ will move to new post in OTR.

◻◻◻◻ will become Chief, Support Operations Staff, DD/S, will retain his IPC (DD/S) title, and will serve as Chairman, Technical Facilities Committee... effective 14 December 1970. ◻◻◻◻◻◻◻◻◻◻◻◻ s Chief, Support Services Staff, DD/S.)

5. Next Meeting: 14 December 1970 at 10 a.m. in PPB Tank.

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